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## AMENDMENTS TO LB946

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM2047)

## Introduced by Murante

1	1. Insert the following new sections:
2	Sec. 13. Section 32-713, Reissue Revised Statutes of
3	Nebraska, is amended to read:
4	32-713 (1) The certificates of appointment for
5	presidential electors shall be served by the Governor on each
6	person appointed. The Governor shall notify the presidential
7	electors to be at the State Capitol at noon on the first Monday
8	after the second Wednesday in December after appointment and
9	report to the Governor at his or her office in the capitol as
10	being in attendance. The Governor shall serve the certificates of
11	appointment by registered or certified mail. In submitting this
12	state's certificate of ascertainment as required by 3 U.S.C. 6, the
13	Governor shall certify this state's presidential electors and state
14	in the certificate that:
15	(a) The presidential electors will serve as presidential
16	electors unless a vacancy occurs in the office of presidential
17	elector before the end of the meeting at which the presidential
18	electors cast their votes, in which case a substitute presidential
19	elector will fill the vacancy; and
20	(b) If a substitute presidential elector is appointed to
21	fill a vacancy, the Governor will submit an amended certificate of
22	ascertainment stating the names on the final list of this state's

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1 presidential electors.

2 (2) The presidential electors shall convene at 2 p.m. of such Monday at the Governor's office in the capitol. Each 3 4 presidential elector shall execute the following pledge: As 5 a presidential elector duly selected (or appointed) for this 6 position, I agree to serve and to mark my ballots for President 7 and Vice President for the presidential and vice-presidential 8 candidates who received the highest number of votes in the state 9 if I am an at-large presidential elector or the highest number of 10 votes in my congressional district if I am a congressional district 11 presidential elector. 12 Sec. 14. Section 32-714, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read: 13 14 32-714 (1) The Governor shall provide each presidential 15 elector with a list of all the presidential electors. If any presidential elector is absent or if there is a deficiency in the 16 17 proper number of presidential electors, those present shall elect from the citizens of the state so many persons as will supply 18 19 the deficiency and immediately issue a certificate of election, signed by those present or a majority of them, to the person or 20 21 persons so chosen. In case of failure to elect as required in 22 this subsection by 3 p.m. of such day or in case of a vacancy created under subsection (4) of this section, the Governor shall 23 fill the vacancies by appointment. Each appointee shall execute 24 25 the pledge in section 32-713. After all vacancies are filled, the 26 college of presidential electors shall proceed with the election of 27 a President of the United States and a Vice President of the United AM2120 AM2120 LB946 LB946 MMM-02/27/2014 MMM-02/27/2014

1 States and certify their votes in conformity with the Constitution

- 2 and laws of the United States.
- 3 (2) The Secretary of State shall provide each
- 4 presidential elector with a presidential and vice-presidential
- 5 ballot. Each at-large presidential elector shall cast mark his or
- 6 her ballot for the presidential and vice-presidential candidates
- 7 who received the highest number of votes in the state and
- 8 consistent with his or her pledge. Each congressional district
- 9 presidential elector shall cast mark his or her ballot for the
- 10 presidential and vice-presidential candidates who received the
- 11 highest number of votes in his or her congressional district and
- 12 consistent with his or her pledge.
- 13 (3) Each presidential elector shall present the completed
- 14 ballot to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall
- 15 examine each ballot and accept as cast each ballot marked by
- 16 a presidential elector consistent with his or her pledge. The
- 17 Secretary of State shall not accept and shall not count the ballot
- 18 if the presidential elector has not marked the ballot or has marked
- 19 the ballot in violation of his or her pledge.
- 20 (4) A presidential elector who refuses to present a
- 21 ballot, who attempts to present an unmarked ballot, or who attempts
- 22 to present a ballot marked in violation of his or her pledge
- 23 vacates the office of presidential elector.
- 24 2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the
- 25 repealer accordingly.